



**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Application No. : 10/775,206  
Applicant : HUBBARD, ET AL.  
Filed : FEBRUARY 11, 2004  
Title : THERMOPLASTIC-TYPE COVERING SYSTEMS WITH PRE-APPLIED ADHESIVE

Art Unit : 1771  
Examiner : ZIRKER, DANIEL R.

Atty Docket No. : BFSD-0010-UT1

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**AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL AND REQUEST FOR RECONSIDERATION**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116(b)**

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action of October 17, 2006 (Final Office Action), for which the two-month period to respond is set to expire on December 18, 2006 (due to December 17, 2006 falling on a Sunday), please amend the specification as indicated below and as requested in the Final Office Action. It is believed that these amendments to the specification will put the above application in better condition for allowance or appeal.

Applicant respectfully request prompt issuance of a Notice of Allowance or an Advisory Action by the Examiner, as the present response is being timely filed on or before two months of the mailing date of the Final Office Action (*i.e.*, on or before December 18, 2006, because December 17, 2006 falls on a Sunday). See MPEP 706.07(f). Applicant's representative, Mark J. Guttag, also respectfully requests a telephone conference in the event the Examiner has any questions, comments or suggestions that would place any pending claim in better condition for allowance. Applicant's representative may be reached directly at 703-563-2006.

**Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.**

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